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FEATURING: THE MORTALS

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This issue was supposed to be out before the elections April 4 but we just got really fucked up. we dkept missing Mayor Belcher and the Paul Janson one just kept falling through. Did you notice that the Monday before the elections the Ann Arbor News ran a full page interview with Mayor Belcher, the Republican candidate; on Tuesday they ran a full page interview with Leslie Morris the Democratic candidate and on Wednesday? Nothing about Paul Janson the American party candidate; as a matter of fact they consistantly ignored him except when they ridiculed him. Now I didn't know anything about him, he could be a total asshele some people say he is, but that is still no excuse for a socalled respectable newspaper to behave they way the Ann Arbor News did. I voted for him just because the Establishment ignored him.

ON to loftier things I must thank once again Wes for doing all the work on the Just Por Pun tape. That really was all his you know. We are going to try to do it again in the fall, it was a real success, the only problem is that we just don't have the facilities to do a lot of copying of tapes so there is still about 50 more issues to be put together please write to us if you need a copy we will do what we can to get you one.

Space Shuttle Challenger worked just fine, I think that is fantastic and by the end of the year the third one will be flying to. Wow!

Ron Asheton's back from Hawaii and the Monster's will be playing Second Chance on May 9(the day after Christina's birthday). Opening for them will be Battuer Attaque and The Flying Tigers (from Lansing).

Jamie needs a keyboard player for the Dharma Bums, if your interested drop by Make Waves and leave him a note. Talking about Make Waves it's nice to see that it got bought by some pretty good people who hired all my friends back.

I'm afraid that we couldn't get the Necro's interview in this issue in time so it will be in the next one.

-- Tues, April 26 WCBN 9-12moon Special show featuring current local music lots of never before heard tapes from the bands' own vaults--

-- SLK will be touring out west to Calif. late May or June --

--Nonfiction sometimes have available at their shows copies of an earlier release of theirs under the name Xanadu --

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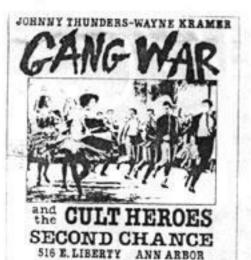
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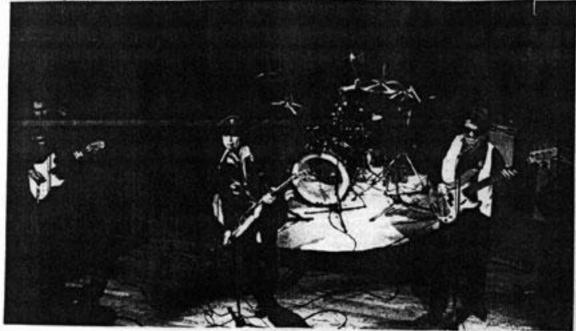
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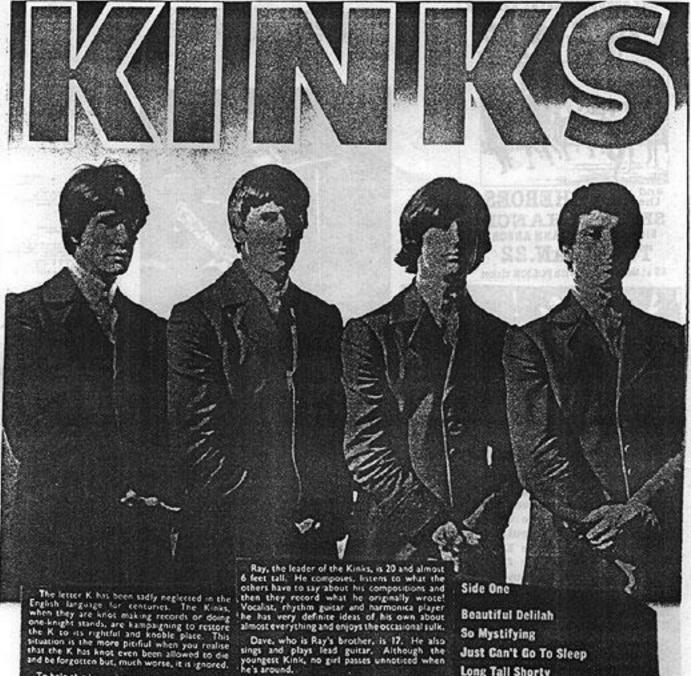
Gang Wer was a band around here from fall 1979 to Summer, 1980 Some shows were great some were not so good, do mostly to Johnsy's problems but all were a lot of fum.

Don't know about you, but I like Johnny. This is his new Tape(he's got a new album too, but it's got different stuff and no Gang War) there's several different musicians on it, on I cut"King Of The Gypsies" is Gang War, man they were a cool band, member the time at the Star when J.T. pulled downed ceiling: YEH! Anyway there's some Spanish guitar that's just got to be Wayne Kramer, the songs real cool; finally a release of "Too Much Junkie Business", a really funny version of "Great Big Kiss", lots of other neat stuff. Johnny is a great artist, buy this and make him happy. Oh yeah, "So Alone" is on it also.



pix by Lucy (who has a brother in 1/2

Japanese.)



To help this kampaign on its way tome simple rules have to be observed. First, the letter K should never be silent in words such as knee. know and knockout; secondly, where possible K should be substituted for C in pronunciation; thirdly, money is reckoned in terms of K(rowns) i.e. 5;- is one K. 2.6 is half K and £1 is 4K; finally, when in doubt stutter. The worst thing anyone can do is to say that something is OK when they mean, of course, that it is K.

Like all new things these days this is going to be advertised extensively on TV. We are all hoping for the fullest co-operation from that very K programme "Thank You Klucky Stars"

About the Kinks and their first LP

Following two records which were compara-tive flops, Ray. Pete. Dave and Mick, put their feet (encased of course in a kinky boost) down. Determined to make a record of THEIR music, they forgot such phrases as "keeping in the idiom" and "a safe cover of semeone elses" which were constantly being hurled at them it worked. "You Really Got Me", which they have included on this first LP shot to No. I in four works.

Dave, who is Ray's brother, is 17. He also sings and plays lead guitar. Although the youngest Kink, no girl passes unnoticed when he's around.

Pete. (20) the quiet one from Devon is a Mod through and through. He sings and plays bass. Pete is the one Kink who actually enjoys horse-riding.

Mick is 19 and plays the drums. Open any of Mick's suitcases and on top of all his clothes you will find a rubber practice mat and a pair of drumsticks. Even without his drums he never stops drumming. In fact, you could say he is kinky about drumming.

Perfectionists to the last drop of their kinky blood, these boys from Muswell Hill, London are a sleeve-writer's nightmare. Even as I write these notes only a few days before release date, they are making changes on some of the tracks. On the assumption that when you read this you have already got the record home, I'll let you listen to it without trying to influence you into buying it. Hope you like it—they do be assured that nothing will ever be released bathe Kinks unless they do like it.

Brian Sommerville.

Long Tall Shorty I Took My Baby Home I'm A Lover Not A Fighter You Really Got Me

Side Two

Cadillac **Bald Headed Woman** Revenge **Too Much Monkey Business** I've Been Driving On Bald Mountain Stop Your Sobbing Got Love If You Want It

Produced by Shel Talmy

MICK AVORY-drums.

"John Butcher Axis" opened the show, with guitar, bass, and drums, these guys reminded me what a rock and roll show was all about,

Loud. Jamming. and Macho. The guitarist (who resembled Jimi Hendrix more than he did himself) held the set together with blistering guitar solos(a common rock concert) The highlight of their set came when Mr. Butcher performed "somewhere over the rainbow" in the Hendrix style of "the Star Spangled Banner". After these guys got off the stage it was time to wait for 15 minutes just to get inside the bathroom, and another 10 minutes to get to a stall. All one could smell in these overcrowded johns was a mixture of Amonia and bleach, after all those toilets had to digest hundreds of gallons of converted beer.

I never found the seat my ticket said I was supposed to be in, so I rambled down to the side of the stage where I could get a good view. The lights went out as synthesizers filled the air with tumbling sounds of imagery. And without further ado, the Kinks exploded onto the stage with the sound of rock and roll that has kept them on the cutting edge of an empire for 20 years. The exploding sound of the group ripped through

Cobo to the thunderous applause of the spectaters.
Ray Davies and Co. played through "catch me now I'm falling", "destroyer", and "Yo-yo" with professional ease. Ray Davies being the master songsman that he is, manipulated the crowd into a hysteria that was enticed further more by his hand clapping, dancing, and all around being a swell rocker. They followed with the title song from their forthcomming LP "COME DANCING", and "don't forget to dance and the long time concert classic "LOLA". Hit after hit came from this rock and roll institution, with Mr. Davies running around dancing, joking with the crowd and being crazy.

Davies stage antics made me wonder just where people like Mick Jagger, and Peter Wolf got the insration to get in the groove of their music, quite a original performer Davies is, moving about the stage with ease and confidence.

The other members of the band shined like a million suns, Dave Davies destinctive solos were gutsy and to the point while Mick Avory punched out

that "KINKS" beat on the drums.

"attitude" and "till the end of the day" were bright spots of the set. but "all day and all of the night" was the definative SHOW STOPPER! Bringing the crowd to their feet was no hard task for the group but this song really got 'em going, bringing the crowd to their feet and beyond. After the song ended, the group plunged right back into the out verse and was greeted with hysteria.

The first encore consisted of "pressure" and "low budget".

The second encore was "celuloid heroes" and the song that brought them

fame, "YOU REALLY GOT ME" ...

If you don't know what the Kinks are like in concert (and it would be a difficult task to completely describe). I suggest that you go see them. Or if that is out of the question, you can pick up their recent double set live album "ONE FOR THE ROAD". It contains many of the hits mentioned in this revue and opens your ears to the spellbinding celebration of their music as you've never experienced it before.

THE KINKS on arista pecords. CATCH IT!!!!

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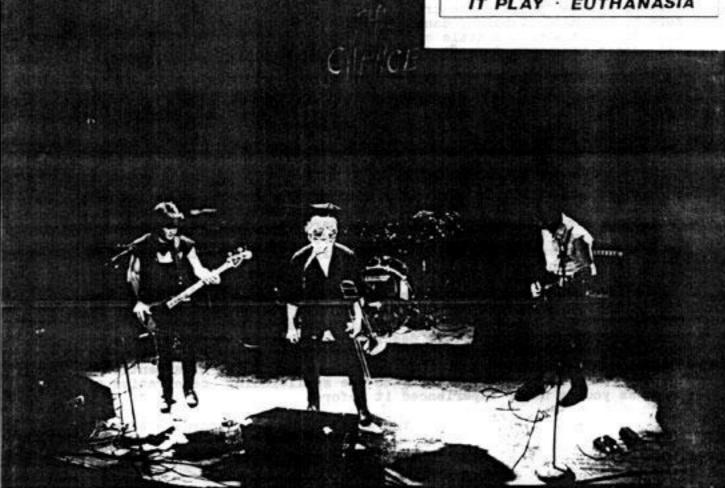
This show was lots of fun. Euthanasia I'd only really heard before from Craig's living room; live they are dynamite They age Craig Myran: vocals/quitar; Steve Bell:guitar, Hal Smith: bass, and Michelle Meisner: drums. What makes them real cool is that both guitarists use wah-wah pedals. Yeah! That's my favorite sound in a rock band. More; more; Go sed suthanasia, they are well worth your money.

" It Play was definetly the odd hand out Monday mite, mince their sound is based on the Joy Division drone music and Eastern drum rythmus as opposed to the definete Detroit music of the other 2 bands. I think that their music is better heard in a different context than the bar situation, BUT of course there is no where else to play. If these guys make an album I suspect that it would sell tremendously.

The Cult Heroes played a great set, they really do keep on getting better and better. A new song in their cet is the Mio's "The Good's Cone" glad to see someone clac appreciates the Who. Lots of new faces in the audience, good. The Cult Heroes new 6-song E.P. should be out this summer, among the songs on it will be "Firste", "Function At The Junction" and "Nation Of Strangers".

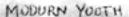


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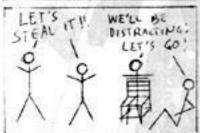


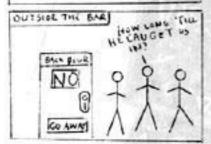
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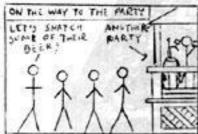
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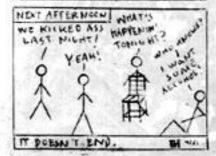








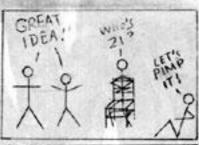




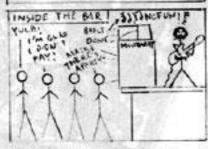
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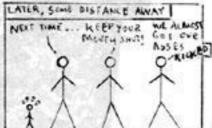
NEW YORK - A majority of teens surveyed by a magazine favor some form of voluntary prayer in their schools.

The study was based on 4,747 questionnaires returned by readers of Seventeen. Fifty-five percent of the respondents were in favor of organized voluntary prayer in public schools, and 45 percent were opposed.

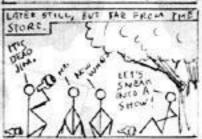




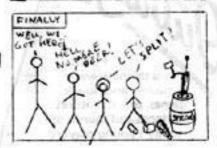




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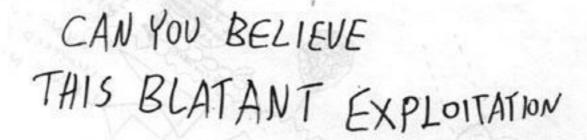


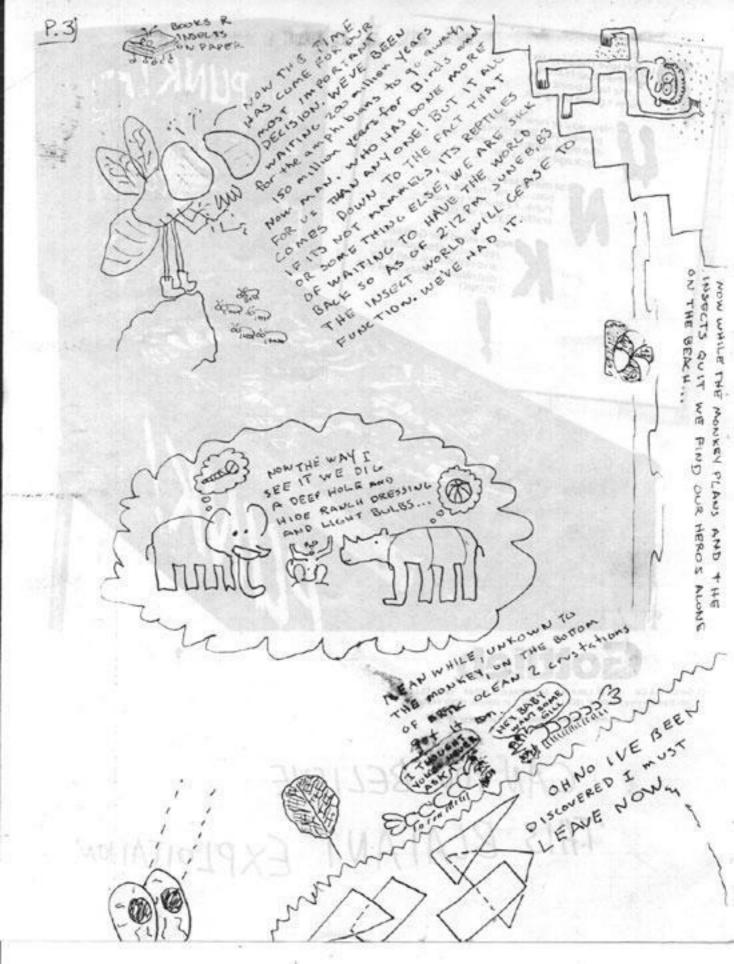


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The Yardbirds, disguised as mild-mannered recording artists for Epic Records, are fighting a never-ending battle for the searing harmonica sound that explodes over relentless drum and bass figurations...lonely dramatic guitar chords that echo in the night and the frantic pulsating freight train beat that builds till it blows your mind ...

Will it sell?

The Yardbirds hope so. They have one of the wildest sounds to explode onto the charts. Their instrumental breaks on "I'm A Man" had a hard driving nervous electric excitement unequaled by any other pop music group.

We flipped when we heard their first Epic album, "For Your Love," and we look ed forward to interviewing them during their first trip to America.

The one-hour interview time we'd been allotted proved insufficient so we returned again later in the afternoon. Keith Relf, Paul 'Sam' Sammell Smith, Chris Dreja, Jeff Beck, Jim McCarty and their bearded Russo-French manager Glorgio Gomelsky were friendly and enthusiastic and they had a lot to say about themselves and their music.

"The group as a whole started out being most impressed by the blues and falk music," they told us.

"We got together with a couple of electric guitars and started getting a rhythm and blues feel. Then we became slightly more commercial along the way or rather, public taste had come to accept & b. We play the commercial type of its b that is liked.

"We're now going ahead with our own style of r&b which is even more way out. We hope the public will like it."



When we complimented them on their Epic album they replied, "Our first album in The States ("For Your Love") is actually an amalgam of tracks we put together last year. We've progressed a lot since them."

The Yardbirds played one of their more recent English albums for us. "Sam", who supervises their recording sessions said, "I like to get a clean sound. I don't like a dirty sound...it can be hairy though. It must be compact and knit together as a unit."

"We've spent a long time trying to get a good drum sound. A lot of our numbers are more instrumental than vocal. On single records we have to be more conscious of the vocal, but in person the instrumental portions are very popular with audiences. We wouldn't ever eliminate vocals though, because then there'd be no contrast. The voices are another sound."

When asked about early influences, the Yardbirds replied, "Jimmy Reed more than anyone else at the beginning. We liked the early rock music...Elvis Presley, Carl Perkins... country blues."

"What's happening on the blues scene in England now?" we asked. "The rhythm and blues audience in England is splitting into different sections now. Some people are following the James Brown style.

"One Redding, Rufus Thomas big-band & b is very popular. Molown is passing

"Other people, I hope, are following the music we're doing. It's a more electronic nervous tension type of music. It's an emotion built up on stage by the sounds we're creating. We're painting emotional pictures with sound.

"We're not consciously progressing...we just progress. We've always been spontaneous. As soon as we get on stage we just start to invent a lot of our music as we go along. We play sack & rall, but we improvise like a jazz group. We're leaning on all facets of music.

"One thing that was a let down was coming to America where our music originated and finding loads of American groups copying the English sound. They're copying our copy of their music.

"We would like to entertain not just a small section of the public...not just the 18 b fanatics...but lats of people. We want to entertain the general public...every-body internationally. We want to give everybody an experience from our performance."

What sort of fans do the Yardbirds have in England:

"We have a variety... a few older people and everything from university students to 15-year-old Mods-or even younger, eleven-year-old girls.

"It would be fantastic if we could take our music and ourselves, on an International basis, as far as we've done in England. They say that music knows no barrier...



that it's an international language.

"We try to incorporate in our records the things we've learned onstage. Our improvisations are not as melodic and simple as jazz- it's more abstract. It's rhythmic...its harmonic...its feedback, even. It's electronic...with a feeling."

Giorgio added, "Some people feel that a guitar group cannot be original...because a guitar can't sound like anything more than a guitar. But if you hear Jeff Beck play...hear Sam play his bass...or Chris... we get big fat WALL OF SOUND chards."

We mentioned that Zal Yanovsky of the Lovin' Spoonful achieved similar effects. "Someone else is on the same kick!" said Sam.

The Yardbirds continued to describe their music. "We'll play a note or a chard and repeat it throughout the song. After a while it becomes a part of you...gets into you like a rhythm. The sounds we're producing wouldn't be condaned by most people or be believed. But if you allow yourself to fall into them, they become music....It becomes an emotion.

"When we first started taking our music beyond playing the guitar conventionally, about 2 or 3 years ago; we built up on a chord or one note to a fantastic dimax. "We really feel great when we do this, and we want the audience to feel great as well—that is our ambition."

Though large-scale success for the Yardbirds in America hasn't happened yet, they're not too concerned:

"If you gradually build a reputation around the country and then have a big record, you'll have all those people behind you. But if you go to "I right away, it's harder to build up a loyal following in such a short time.

"Kids in pop music are fickle. Americans seem more fickle. In England, people buy records not so much for the singer but for the song. There are exceptions. Once you get established, the fans can be very loyal."

As we were about to leave, Giorgio said, "You've been asking us questions about music, which is very interesting. But I have the feeling that the majority of American kids don't know or care about these things. There must be a minority of discriminating youngsters reading your magazine."

"We think so," we told him. "And sooner or later the public will become aware of the Yordbirds" fantastic talent." An Interview with Leslie Morris by Jerry Bush. March, 1983



Leslie Morris

Democratic Candidate

JB: What do you think are the major problems in Ann Arbor?
Morris: I think, like every other city in Michigan, we're
facing financial problems. The government is facing financial
problems, and we're going to have practically no property tax
increase this year and yet our expenses are going up. We're
looking at lay-offs and possibly service reductions in city
government. I think people want more done by city government;
they want more potholes fixed, they want more social service
aid, they want better parks, and they're not getting the
opportunity to have the better services that they want. I don't
think they want their taxes cut; I think they want good
services.

JB: What are you going to do about the rising crime rate?
Morris: I'm not terribly sure of whether I think the rise in
the crime rate is real or not. I guess that every year we find
that some crimes appear to go up and some crimes appear to go
down. One thing that I wouldn't propose to do is pledge to add

a whole lot more police because they are very expens ive. I think that the crime prevention bureau is working very well; that's a sort of community relations operation that goes around giving talks and seminars on how citizens can help the police, how you can notify police if you see a crime being committed, how you protect yourself, how you can use better locks. The security ordinance that was just passed that Lowell Peterson introduced should reduce break-ins by requiring better locks in rental property. I Think that the neighborhood watch program is pretty good. Some of the crime rate is related to the economy and we see those statistics all over Michigan and in fact all over the country. Until this country gets back on it's feet; and I don't think that's going to be before we have a change of the government in Washington; we're going to see some problems wherever you go.

Morris: That's pretty difficult, I'd have to look at what we could do and that involves looking at what state aid is possible and what federal aid is possible. WE're hearing looking at what state aid is possible and what federal aid is possible. WE're hearing talk about jobs programs and different stuff out of Washington to address this problem, talk about jobs programs and different stuff out of Washington to address this problem. If unemployment suddenly skyrocketed I think it would be probable that Ann Arbor would be eligible for some kind of extra-state or federal aid and we would probably make a immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid. I don't think that immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid and we would probably make a immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid and we would probably make a immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid and we would probably make a immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid and we would probably make a immeadente application for some kind of program to use that aid and we would probably make a immeadente application for some kind of program t

of being the employer of last resort. They bonded to the limit of their capacity for public work projects they garanteed that if people couldn't find other jobs they would employ, in purks projects, public works, every able bodied person who wanted to work. After a while they could no longer handle it because revenues were dropping. Since people couldn't go to the stores the economy was very bad, but they tried to do what ever they could and they borrowed money to the limit of their capacity so that they could hire everybody in the city who wanted to work. That was at a time when there was, I think, a solid republican council. So I don't think it's out of line for the city on some kind of responsibility. Our situation has changed now, there are other aid programs now but there certainly is the possibility that this could happen.

JB; What do you mean by 'It's shout time'? Morris; That was something that people started to say to me when I said 'Yes. I amm running for mayor this year' they would may 'Well it's about time;" and sometimes they would mean that I'd been on city council, I'd been active in city government for a long time. And sometimes they would say, "It's about time we had a woman mayor!" So it's a double reference to the fact that it's about time Ann Arbor had a woman mayor. We have never had one in our one hundred fifty or sixty years of our history and also I've been active for a long time in city government and it's about time I got to serve

JB:How much expierence do you have? Morris; I've served three terms on the city council, since about 1971 I have some to almost every city council meeting. I used to spend many hours per week just watching city government and nieghborhood activism kind if projects, Like working on the park out side (South University Park), lobbying for other park improvements, Helping siegnborhold annociations that were thring to get a better deal with local devolopers. Going to planning commission meetings, advising candidates long before I served on city council I knew enough about what the planning cormission and city council did to be able to help out other candidates. I also was very interested in different aspects of the ligislative process. So I've spent a lot of time on city government, probably an much as anyone has spent in the last decade who is not a full time paid city employee.

JB: Are you going to do anything to attract business to Ann Arbor? Morris; I do think we have to attract businesses to Ann Arbor, I don't think it's the mayor's role to dothat. We have a Washtenaw Devolopement council that has hired a full time employee to go around and sell the area to businesses that want to locate here. The various technology groups at the University do this sort of work, the chamber of comerce does this sort of work. The mayor of Ann Arbor, as I said at the chamber of comerce meeting this morning, is the presiding officer of the eleven member-Ann Arbor city council that sets local city policies and passes city ordinance and spends tay money. The mayor of Ann Arbor is not a super salesman for business to the area. Los Belcher has just sort of decided that that's what he feels like doing, I don't think He's doing a very good job. I think he isn't connulting with enough people. That is not the role of the mayor of Ann Arbor, we need a diverse economy, yes, but the role of city government is to try to see what kind of nervices the businesses want. What kind of city regulations will make sure that our quality of life is preserved. It is not to be a kind of private salesman for private business.



Naturally we have a problem trying to figure out what kind of new developments should go in the city and I think there's a major difference between me and Lou Belcher there. I think he thinks that bigger is better, and I think in Ann Arbor we like to see the smaller kind of developments that have been traditional in Ann Arbor, I think we think that smaller is better here. We like small business and smaller buildings, we like to keep the pedestrian texture to the city. A lot of people are worried that Ann Arbor is being taken over by outsiders who are trying to turn it into something like Houston or Southfield.

One thing I should have said about business; I don't think that the most important way that we aid business in Ann Arbor is to bring new businesses in. I think that the most important thing we do is to try to make sure we don't destroy the businesses that are born here in Ann Arbor. I think we have a lot of creativity

here and bus nesses tend to start here. These are mostly very small businesses and I would like to see these fostered and promoted and helped to grow, rather than being forces out of business by some great hig business project that's brought in with outside money, which means to me a loss of control of own destiny here.

Jb: How much is our mayor paid?

Morris: Ten thousand seven hundred dollars, I believe.

JB: A year?

Morris: Yes, and for that I would expect to work essentially full time. I would expect to spend most of the time in city hall or touring different kinds of projects or city operations. I also think that it would be important to have some evening office hours as it's been very difficult to see the mayor, citizens have been complaining to me. In addition to a lot of daytime office hours I expect to spend a considerable amount of time, maybe a couple evenings a week, I'm not sure, there are nome evening meetings, but at least one evening a week in evening office hours. Some of the evening office hours would be in nieghborhood elementary schools or nieghborhood community centers so it would be easier to see the mayor.

MorRis:I've already saidthat if elected mayor I would ask council to place on the belot, probablyfollowing a study by a citizen committee and drafting of a program, a one half mill social service program so that we can pick up some of the human service agencys that used to be federally funded who havelost their grants. I think that citizens are willing to pick up that size of a program on their property taxes and we would probably be working on studying this over the course of the year and gut it on the belief next year, if I'm elected. I think that we need a bigger street repair program, I'm not exactly sure when this should go on the ballot. I'm backing the park rehabilitation and development millage that is on the ballot this spring, and of course I still back the energy programs of the city. In general I think that people want a good level of services here rather than tax cuts. So, I think that I try to find out what service levels people want and what they are willing to pay for and I will try to give them that service levels

JB; What about the marajuana law?

Morris: I'm arainst the rereal of the five dollar marajuana law. I've been against that since 1974. I think that people were so tired of the marajuana debute in the early seventies that they decided to take that out of the hands of the politicians and put it in the charter so that it was not a political issue anymore. I heard very little about marajuana after that was put in the charter, it essentially died as an issue. It's been revived this yeer because the mayor was fool enough to make it a political issue again and I don't think that social concerns are very good political issues.

JB:Other comments?

Morris; I think even some republicans and a lot of independents are agreeing that Lou Belcher ham forgotten what his position is, he's acting like a ting. He's acting like he has the right to make city policy all by rimself, his nick name now is King Louie. I think it's getting to the point where it's actually dangerous for our city. He's making commitments which others in his party, which other city officials, sometimes feel they have to back up. I think that when a mayor starte throwing his wieght around and bousing and making individual commitments that other people have to keep I think it's time to replace that mayor.

JB; Thank you very much.

WE HOPE YOU DID

Vote Monday, April 4

Scott Morgan The Mike Kanton Band

Feb 15,1983

Not ever having reviewed a show before some of you might not like what I have to say; pro or con. Any way here we go:

"Ann Arbor residents admitted Free"
All-fucking-right: It was about one of
three times I've gotten in the chance
without having to pay, except for some
State and Iruth gigs I played a while
back: Heineken beers were a\$1.00 apiece
not bad for the Chance.

The atmosphere was a little different. I only recognized a few friends, most people were jocks and students, skinny women, and motorcyclast types.

The Mike Kanton Band started things off. Iney were tight, energetic, and precise. Playing R+B oriented music, some originals, some covers, all about not getting laid, or getting laid (Bruther:) Musically they were pretty good, there was a good punchy mix. They were tacky between songs, with comments like, "Isee there's alot of foxey women in the audience tonite:" Both of ya! It was nothing that I hadn't heard already, which was frustrating.

Scott Morgan and the Band came ou!
after a brief equipment change and started
ramblin' through their set with some
enthusiasm. His brother John Morgan(Drums)
and Ron Cooke(Bass);both ex-members of
the Johnny Thunders-Wayne Kramer Gang
War of a few years ago which has a
song on JI's new ROIR Cassette; were
in the band as was Fritz Papen. Ann Arbor's
favorite sax player. There was keyboards
too, that for once I was able to hear.

Their music was pretty much R+Bish too.some originals.a few covers. They did Pirate, which I guess Scotty wrote for the Cult Heroes, a different sound altogether from what I was used to. It felt good to hear Scotty singing again. I had a slight inkling of the old Sonic's days. Nothing like Sonic's of course. Cathy(sorry I forgot your last name) came on and sang several songs, she had a good voice. I saw her band and went to her birthday party later in March.

Their mix was not as sharp as Kanton's of course they had alot more going thru the board. All in all, most people seemed to enjoy it. I liked some stuff, tho I wouldn't go to see them again. It was probably a "beer money" gig anyway.

Nick Neutron, The Cuit Heroes, The Mortals March 14, 1983, Second Chance

This is a concert review, but 1'11 get to that after I tell you about The Mortals. If you naven't heard of them. They are pretty new (though I was playing with them in 1981). After a few member changes and some revising of songs they're just new starting to gig. This was their first 'Chance Show' so let's write about them,

Tim plays the guitar, Mike plays the bass, and Sam plays the drums. They've'll been toying with the idea of adding another instrument to their sound. It is hard to find the right kind of musician to fill the space.

The Mortals are bonically a musical group. They pull roots free rock affect, Rabbaham, disco, and Psychedelia. (Not to mention their own splendid musicianship.) Tin and Sam trade vocal spots, and Mike kicks it out on bass. I like then a lot. They remind me of Public Image. Scan said they reminded him of Richard Heil and the Voidoids. The Mortals rock out on songs like "Dartboard" and "Group Sex V' Strangers" and swing a bit more on "Mouse" or "Latin America".

I got to the Chance early to help The Mortals out, doing send-roadie work, decause if you've ever played at the Chance, sometimes there's a lot to think about. So I helped them out wherever I could; tuning guitars mostly, and helping Tim drink beer.

Like most opening bands anywhere these days, The Mortals didn't get a soundcheck. Remembering my own days as a Second Chance rock star, soundchecks are important, especially with a massive PA. They took it pretty well, and strangely enough didn't seem too nervous (I'm always a zombic before I go on). Tin and I drank beer. Mike almost got thrown out of the club because he brought his own bottle of wine. You're not allowed to bring in containers of any kind or with anything in them unless they were purchased there. No problem; the night manager let Mike off for being a good boy about it.

The Mortals went on about 10:15 and came off with real good sound and quite snappy changes in their music. I was quite pleasant! surprised under the circumstances that they were so good. In my opinion it was their best show yet! All of them sounded truly inspired and rock they did (Sam, your drumning was

cool:) Enough said, a good set.

P. Aaron Jones

HEYTO: Aaron

I don't remember what time The Cult Heroes came on, but I was right there. I haven't seen them in about two or three months. Just haven't been going to the shows. But they

haven't been going to the shows. But they were good. "Nice sound you gays":

I noticed one or two songs I haven't heard before. But now I know why I like the Cult Heroes. They were fast and punchy and in control. I liked hearing some of my favorite tunes like "Firste Husic", and "Concrete", "Novacaine Brain", Totally cool. A nice solid wall of sound.

I didn't stick around for Nick Neutron. So I got the lowdown from Sean. It was a cover band, doing predominantly late 60's music. Big Marshall stacks. They were just having fun. I saw just what I came to see: The Mortals and The Cult Heroes. I probably sound biased as hell.

P. Adrem Jones.

Oharma Buns The Mortals InfraRed March 18, Halfway Inn

I got there early, just in time to hear The Mortals soundcheck. When they finished Sam and I went out to the corner for a couple quarts of beer and some chatting got back and noticed that there was an immense guest list and sort of added everyone he could think of (at least it seemed as if everyone was on it). Noticed that Jamie seemed to be running the show the musical part anyway, I guess it was a benefit but I never found out for whom.

First band on was InfraRed, the singer was Cathy, who had sung with Scott's band, and the guitarist was another girl that I recognized from that night. The rest of the band seemed to be your regular journeyman session types. Songs covered included couple of Pretenders, the Clash' Should I Stay Or Should I Go?; basically what seemed to be a sort of Pioneer High version of Punk/New Wave. Musicians were all technically real good but didn't seem to have any substance or anything to say. They'd probably go over very well at the Chance even on a weekend.

Next up was The Mortals, Majority

Next up was The Mortals. Majority
of the crowd looked liked they were there
to see this band; the 12 to 15 at my table
anyway. A good, good band; Sam sings most
of the songs. Tim the rest and the way Tim
moves around jerking and contorting h's
body and still meaaging to play guitar
is quite arresting. His tight leather
pants catch the eye too. My favorite
song of their's is "Group Sex With Strangers"
but they are all good. Oh yes I should
mention that Sam drummed on the Special

Guests portion of the Just For Fun tape.

Jamie's new band The Dharma Bums (a
very Jamie name) played last. Joe was the singer, I didn't notice who the others were, and the were very good, for one song then it seemed as if the effort to be a cohesive unit for even that length of time was to much for them and they rapidly disintegrated. Jamies guitar fucked up. different people started giving different advise about what to do and poof what started wonderfully didn't end that way. Which was a shame because they really did seem to have something to say, you could just see them straining to get it out but just not succeeding; the opposite of the first band who played together beautifully, started and stopped on time and-all that but didn't seem to have any reason for being up there. I hope Jamie keeps atit I think it will be worth it when it gets out. A fun night.

Sean Clayton Carroll

STYLE 1983

MARCH 22, 1983 at 8:00 p.m. on stage at the Power Center Admission \$5.00

\$3.00 for senior citizens and teenagers 13-19



I don't know much about fashion really, and anyway my real reason for doing this article (and the whole mag for that matter) is that some friends of mine were in it, so I'm not going to review the clothes. As you can see Sue Andrews over there was one of the models, she was in the show last fall at the Michigan Theatre too, Rebecca Alexander (this months cover) designed an evening dress for it; and Rick Lieder, who did the cover for IRH#3 and the back of #2, took photos some of which were used in the A2 News ads for the show(he's also a member of the Stilyagi Air Corps the A2 Science Piction Club as am I).

The show was arranged chronologically ie. the first 'act' was models dressed in morning clothes-bathrobes, pajamas, etc, then came jogging clothes, then work, school, play, evening clothes. The majority of the clothes came from local stores such as Hudsons, Lord and Taylor, Hit or Miss, etc. basically your upper middle executive type. Power Center looked quite full with a real audience unlike last falls show in which Mayor Belcher pranced around like a drunk penguin, so pleased to be accepted among A2's elite; mostly the State Street Ass. Obviously designed to elicit more custom ers for those mainstream stores there was still room for some of the second hand stores and more experimental hair dressers

Music was supplied by the Afromusicology Koindu Ensemble, who also played at the fall show, not really to my tasted, they were so much in the background one wonders why they didn't just have records playing. As far as I'm concerned the best fashion show of any kind I've been to was the Fantasy Pashions one at the Chance when the Monsters played, it seemed to actual ly convey a sense of being part of a living culture rather than just a big business, but then I suppose that's the culture of this show.

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The Psychedelic Furs March 27 Michigan Theatre

The Psychedelic Purs were frustrating from A hardy the start to finish. Waiting weeks on end for tickets to go on sale, I took the day off work (and a \$60 dive.) I was one of about the first 10 people in line at my local C.T.C. outlet. I was sure I would get good Beats.

Not so. There was a fuckup. C.T.C. outlets in Detroit selling tickets Tuesday night, (as announced on WABX) rather than the scheduled wedneday March 2nd. I got Row AA. A real Pisser. The first 26 rows went mostly to Detroit.

The night of the show, the outside of the Michigan Theatre looked like, (to quote a friend) "a tidal wave of New Wavers": I couldn't believe it! Make 1 Waves must've had a gala shopping day or something. Among the most atrocious were pink knickers with blue polka dots, greased down perms in an attempt to make a waterfall. Three-fourths of the entertainment records! Never once was she off key. Lene was staring at people.

"Our Daughter's Wedding" started things off about 8:30pm or so. I wasn't real impressed. (I'm jaded.) Rythmn Machine Rock. One keyboardist would grab a drumstick every once in a while and hit a cymbal though. (funny!) There were no drums or bass. (Bummer!) The rythm was okay though. It wasn't anything I haven't already heard, or would buy for that matter. They did Stevie Wonder's hit "Alright, upright!" It was kind of cool.

The Furs came oh about 9:20pm amidst bubbling clouds of dry ice and orchestral jams. They knocked off their hits and left. Richard Butler was charismatic. The Band was sloppy though. The drummer would start a song with a good beat, but then it would slow down. They weren't sharp at all. They had a little punch, but it didn't pay for the ticket; excuses or no excuses, they didn't even try to rock.

The Purs played barely an hour, including encores; they played: 'India', 'Love My Way', 'Forever Now', 'Sister Europe', a few others. Whooppese!

On tuesday March 29 I went to St. Andrews Hall in Detroit to see Lene Lovich. I was hoping this show would be good. It was excellent every step of the way.

St. Andrews Hall is a beautiful place. A bar upstairs and one in the basement. A beautiful lounge area carpeting & comfy furniture. A wonderful dance floor. Drinks were too expensive though, and you have to check your coat (.50e)

Lene Lovich March 29

> A hassk when 400 people want their coats all at once.

81/2 from Chicago started the show at about 10:30pm. They were a tight, synthetic kind of sound. Detroit wasn't too sure what to think. I thought they were cool. I told them to come and play in A2. An excellent dance band.

Lene Lovich came on at 12:00 midnight which just so happened also to be her birthday. She was wonderful. So was the band. She started out with 'Sister Video' from 'No Man's Land'. She did 'Maria'. 'Lucky Number', 'Say When', 'Too Tender', and some songs from 'Flex'. It was a wonderful show. She was nice to the audience as a whole and as individuals. Pam put it perfectly when she said"It seemed like you could just walk up to her and say Hey let's grab some coffee at Johnnies."

Her vocal abilities went beyond her and her band were so tight and had so much punch! I left the show feeling very good as did everybody else. There was no pushing or shoving, everybody hadagood time. If Lene Lovich comes around again sometime go and see her perform. It was definately worth it.

P. Aaron Jones

BURGERS TO GO: White Castle Uses Express Mail to reach far-thing fans



